Mr. McMahon then offered the following as a preamble

to be prefixed to said resolution:

Whereas the experience of past years abundantly evince the impropriety of confiding a power of expending the public money to those who do not immediately represent the pecuniary interests of this state, without prescribing in the most definite terms, the manner of its appropriation and expenditure.

Which being twice read; and the question thereon propounded, Will the house agree to adopt said preamble as proposed? The yeas and nays were required by seven mem-

bers, and being taken, they appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Mercer Messrs. Boon Tilghman Sellman Ridgaway Linthicum Shriver Parran Hope Somervell Smithson Tuiner Sutton Price Steuart of Baltimore Shower M'Mahon Ely Fitzhugh Lloyd Waigamot Martin Williams of Dorchester Rentch Douglas of Dorchester Yates Peter Thomas of Cecil Hoblitzell—31 Mackey Harlan

NEGATIVE.

Semmes Messrs. Speaker Thomas, of St. Mary's Beall Gantt Gough Duvall Hawkins Wells Comegys Watkins Brown Stevens Kent Stewart of A. Arundel Williams of Worcester Bourne Hitch Rogerson Powell King Hughes of Charles. Montgomery Jones Banning Orrell Millis Douglas of Caroline Teackle Lee Donoho Hughes of Montgomery Gibbons Lansdale Dennis M·Neill—38 Goldsborough

So it was determined in the negative.

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Mr. Semmes then proposed the following order for consideration: